

WASHINGTON CITY ECHOES

According to promise I now proceed to report the financial (cash) results of my recent visit among the following churches, viz.:

Bro. Buckelew's charge: Terra Alta, West Va., (collection) \$200.

Bro. Swinehart's charge, Masontown, Pa.: Mother Longnecker and Mollie Gans, \$1.00 each; Bro. Swinehart, 5.00; East River Side church, 1.10. Total, \$8.10.

Bro. Darling's charge, Pittsburg: D. J. Bole, \$1.00; Ira C. Wilcox, 25 cts.; collection, 2.51. Total, \$3.76.

Bro. Haskin's charge, Johnstown: Ezra Detwiler, Belle Sterling and R. Z. Replogle, \$3.00 each; Chas. Replogle, Mrs. J. E. Parsons and E. E. Haskins, 2.00 each; N. Slick, A. Trent, D. Crofford, S. A. Snook, Mrs. D. Crofford, H. R. Longnecker, L. J. Ripple, Mrs. W. Z. Replogle, J. Z. Replogle and W. A. Adams, 1.00 each; cash, 25 cts.; J. H. Beach, P. J. Myers, B. Gochenour, Mrs. Haskins and Elma King, 25 cts. each; collection, 1.53. Total, \$28.03.

Bro. Koontz's charge, Conemaugh: K. C. Society, \$5.00; collections, 2.30; George Berkeybile, 2.00; Pat. O'neil, L. W. Beam and Sister Beam, 1.00 each; Bro. Neilson, 50 cts. Total \$12.80.

Bro. Knepper's charge, Meyersdale and Summit Mills: Meyersdale—J. M. Olinger and N. E. Miller, \$5.00 each; Mrs. Mary Williams, 3.35; Mrs. Sadie Damm, 2.00; Lucinda Murray, Peter Bowser, Kate Olinger, John Saylor, John Berkley, Jesse McKinley, David Lewis, Mrs. J. K. Knepper, Lydia Beachley and Mrs. Emma Berkley, 1.00 each; Mrs. Dr. U. M. Beachley, 2.66; collection, 4.97. Summit Mills—Elder J. A. Miller, \$2.00; Mrs. A. Rishel, 1.00; Urias Lindaman, 50 cts.; Henry Hostettler, James Firil and Andy Rishel, 1.00 each; Mother Lindaman, 25 cts.; Wm. Lindaman, Ada Miller and Mary Firil, 50 cts.; Wm. J. Miller and Mrs. Wm. J. Miller, 1.00 each; Wilson Sumack and Harry Zimmerman, 25 cts. each; Samuel Firil and Amos Lindaman, 50 cts. each. Total, \$44.23.

Bro. Mackey's charge, Salisbury: M. J. Beachy, \$5.00; Sister Livengood, Sister Wagner and Master Herbert Mackey, 1.00 each; J. B. Cross, 25 cts.; collection, 3.13. Total, \$11.38.

Berlin church, Bro. Myers, pastor: J. J. Brallier, \$3.00; Sister Holsinger, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Musser and M. C. Myers, 1.00 each; Mrs. M. C. Myers, 50 cts.; Mrs. Brallier, 1.00; collection, 1.50. Total, \$10.

Rosedale meeting: Mrs. Benj. Benschoff, Eli Stutzman and Mrs. Eli Stutzman, \$1.00 each; Eph. Stutzman and Catharine Findly, 50 cts. each; collection, 90 cts. Total, \$4.90.

Altoona church, Bro. Spanogle, pastor: Sylvester Berkeybile, D. M. Smouse and J. R. Smouse, L. Z. Replogle, \$1.00 each; Thos. Clipperfield, 50 cts.; collection, 1.16. Total, \$5.66.

Total from all churches,	\$130.88
Traveling expenses,	15.05
Net proceeds from trip,	\$115.83

Again let me return my thanks for the responses from all these churches.

I assure you that I was in a position to appreciate it, as by your efforts, with what has since been received, I have been enabled to "square up" all arrearages.

A further report will be made through our National Board.

A word to those congregations I was not permitted to visit: Will you not all respond now with your share of monthly contributions, thus enabling the mission to keep out of debt in the future? Please do so, unless you are anxious for me to make you a visit also. Remember it will be *your* "turn" next and I'll be sure to come and see you, too, unless you seek to remove the cause.

This I believe you will do.

Faternally,

W. M. LYON.

Chicago Mission

To our many friends who have shown so much interest in the work we have just taken up, we wish to say. We are now in the mission work in Chicago. We undertake this at the earnest solicitation of many brethren and sisters, whose hearts we know are true to God, and who feel that we as a church, have a work committed to us, and that work is to save souls for whom Christ suffered and died. If was after much prayer and meditation we decided to undertake, or rather offer ourselves to the work which we have been so much interested in for several years, which we have urged and plead as the duty of the church. And while we have been for missions, and using every power of our souls to place missionaries in the fields, we did not feel that we were the ones that should go. But it is possible that there are too many of us who are wanting the other fellow to go. Now brethren, we are here and not in our own strength. In fact, as I stand face to face with the problem of life and death and with the command of God before me, I feel like Moses before the burning bush, "Lord who am I that I should speak to Pharaoh." But God has said, "Go" and has promised "that my strength shall be made perfect in weakness." We are trusting in the power of God and the efficacy of the atoning blood of Christ for the accomplishment of the work. "Not I, but Christ." Brethren pray for us that we may be very humble and true to the trust He has left us, and that we may preach the gospel in Chicago with power that shall glorify God and save souls in this wicked city.

OUR FIRST WEEK

Our first prayer meeting was a season of blessing when last Wednesday evening we met with the brethren and sisters here for the first time in that capacity. All seemed to enjoy the feast we had from the eighth chapter of Romans. There are some near the kingdom. Sister Gibbons has been patiently sowing the good seed, and as you know from her reports, has gathered in some of the fruits and still the harvest is white. Services Sunday were good and attendance

increasing. This week we will observe Thanksgiving on Thursday evening with a special service. Beginning with next Sunday night, we will hold meetings every night and canvas during the day. Pray God that the Spirit may direct the truth spoken.

OUR LAST WEEK IN MILLEDGEVILLE

After a pastorate of six years among the good brethren and sisters of the Milledgeville church, it was not without much reluctance that we could face the fact that a parting sermon as pastor must be preached. But there is always joy in the Lord's work, for that servant who looks for it. At the close of our service on Sunday evening November 6th, Sister Olin came forward to confess Christ and at the Wednesday evening prayer meeting Brother Cheeseman came out and confessed the Savior, and both were buried with Christ in baptism on the evening of the 9th. Others there are in Milledgeville for whom we have prayed many times and we know God will yet answer those prayers. So at our last service as pastor of that beloved church, we laid hands in confirmation and prayed God's blessing and the guidance of the Holy Spirit on those two souls called to His service. At the Sunday evening service we installed brother R. R. Teeter into the pastorate and feel that the Milledgeville church will give him the same hearty support and fellowship they accorded me during my six years among them.

WHAT IS BEFORE US

Brethren, the missionary work calls for your support and prayers. "He that putteth his hand to the plow, and looketh back, is not fit for the kingdom of God." We have put our hands to the missionary plow, we dare not look back. Our mission work *cannot* stop. We must be true to the Lord who has so abundantly blessed us. It is the only work the Lord has given the church to do. Will we do it? The Lord said to Israel, send MY TITHES into my store-house, and I will open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room to receive it. Mal. 3:10. "I am the Lord, I change not," "and Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." Heb. 13:8. If we want more blessing we must do more work. I love the Brethren church and the gospel that has made her. Others will love her too when they know her. Let us in the fear of God make her known. Let us open her doors wide. To do this we need your help; I believe you will give it. Send your offerings for the Lord's work to your mission board, and it will be conscientiously used for the salvation of souls. We shall be pleased to have our friends call when in the city. Our mission is located at No. 193 Oakley Ave., near Jackson Boulevard. Address us at No. 517, Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

J. O. TALLEY.

Jesus is not a subject of study, he is revelation to the soul—that or nothing.—*Irv. Maclaren.*